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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION  
AT RICHMOND, JANUARY 24, 2002

APPLICATION OF

APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY  
d/b/a AMERICAN ELECTRIC  
POWER-VIRGINIA

CASE NO. PUE010720

To revise its cogeneration  
and small power production  
tariffs pursuant to PURPA  
Section 210

ORDER GRANTING MOTION

On December 21, 2001, Appalachian Power Company d/b/a American Electric Power - Virginia ("AEP-VA" or "Company") filed with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") a Motion to Defer Update ("Motion"), requesting the Commission to defer the date for filing its revised cogeneration and small power production tariffs until 90 days following the date its Restated and Amended East Interconnection Agreement ("Interconnection Agreement"), in Docket Nos. EC01-130-000 and ER01-2668-000, becomes effective under approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"). The Company is required to file its revised cogeneration and small power production tariffs with the Commission under Section 210 of the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 ("PURPA").

In support of the Motion, the Company states that the required cogeneration and small power production tariffs

include projections of certain avoided costs and that the projections of avoided costs likely will be affected by changes made to the Interconnection Agreement by the FERC. The Motion further states that the Company is unable to project avoided costs until the precise changes made in the Interconnection Agreement are known.

The Commission Staff has advised the Commission that it has no objection to AEP-VA's motion.

NOW THE COMMISSION, upon consideration of the foregoing, is of the opinion that the Company's request is reasonable and that the Motion should be granted. The delay allows time to evaluate the potential impacts, if any, of the approved changes to the Company's Interconnection Agreement on the appropriate determination of the Company's avoided costs. Prior to filing its revised tariffs, the Company is encouraged to confer with the Division of Energy Regulation Staff concerning the methodology to be employed in setting the revised tariff rates.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The Company shall file its revised cogeneration and small power production tariffs 90 days following the date the Restated and Amended AEP East Interconnection Agreement becomes effective under approval by the FERC.

(2) The current approved cogeneration and small power production tariffs on file with the Commission shall continue to apply, on an interim basis, until the time the Company's revised tariffs are approved by the Commission.

(3) This matter is continued.